THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) The Archaeological Survey of India has not submitted any such proposal to the Ministry of External Affairs.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Historical monuments and heritage sites

2016. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of historical monuments and sites which are presently in great neglect and in a dilapidated condition and have been plundered and vandalized with impunity during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof with allocations made for protection of such historic and heritage sites and monuments and spent thereon during the last five years, year-wise;

(c) whether Government are considering to set up a special force for protection of monuments and historical sites;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Archaeological Survey of India maintains 3658 Centrally protected monuments in the country which are in a fairly good state of preservation. However, conservation is a continuous process and monuments need certain repairs.

During disturbances in Gujarat in 2002, three following Centrally protected monuments were damaged:

1. Small stone Mosque, Ahmedabad.
2. Muhafiz Khan Mosque, Gheekanta, Ahmedabad.
3. Tomb of Saiyed Mubarka at Sojali, Kheda.

Allotment and expenditure incurred on above monuments is:—

Year	Allotment	Expenditure
2002-2003	5,00,000	1,04,546
2003-2004	4,42,000	1,68,359
2004-2005	8,50,000	2,56,344

(c) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The situation can be handled with the resources available with Archaeological Survey of India.

Upgradation of Maheshwar Devi Ahilya Archaeological Museum

†2017. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state.

(a) whether any proposal received from Madhya Pradesh is pending with Government for upgradation of Maheshwar Devi Ahilya Archaeological Museum of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be cleared by Government?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (c) The proposal was received in this Ministry and was placed before the Expert Committee constituted under the scheme of 'Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums' in its meeting held on 25.11.2004. The Expert Committee did not recommend the proposal, as construction of a new Museum is not covered under the scheme.

Review of performance of CPSEs

2018. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed performance of the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs);

(b) if so, the period covered under the review and the performance during the last three years, CPSE-wise; and

(c) the steps taken to improve the financial performance of the CPSEs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) The Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) performance is reviewed periodically at different levels by the concerned administrative Ministry/ Department and steps are taken to improve the performance in accordance with the industry/enterprises specific business environment. Department

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.